

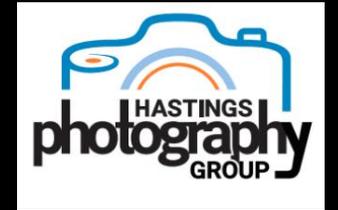
HASTINGS PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP



In this presentation you will learn the following information:

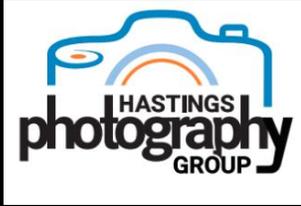
- The objectives of Hastings Photography Group
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- What we do
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- Photography Training and learning program
- Communications in the HPG
- How to apply for membership.

ABOUT THE HPG



- The group was formed in 2010 and since then has grown in size and ambitions.
- It is an incorporated club with an active committee.
- Current membership is 40 (February 2021).
- Membership is open to any person, whether a beginner or an experienced photographer, who wants to develop their photography skills in a friendly club environment.

MAJOR OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION



TO PROVIDE for, arrange and encourage meetings of members to facilitate the exchange of ideas for their mutual improvement in the knowledge and practice of photography and allied processes;

TO PROMOTE and encourage the knowledge and uses of photography;

TO PROMOTE the holding of exhibitions and competitions and to conduct exhibitions and competitions;

TO ENTER member photographs in any form into regional or national competitions where entry is at the club level.

(For full list of objective see the HPG Constitution)

Meetings - Workshops - Fieldtrips



Club Meetings: (first Tuesday of month)

Print Nights: (first Tuesday of June and September)

Digital nights: (third Tuesday of month)

Photography demonstrations: (On club and digital nights)

Photography and photo editing workshops i.e. Photoshop (Saturday mornings)

Field trips: Usually Saturdays or Sundays

Social activities: Coffee mornings – Competition Celebrations –

Christmas lunch or whenever we feel like having fun.

Photography Training



When the HPG was formed in 2010 the founding committee placed a high emphasis on photography skills training which has continued.

Club activities have a strong emphasis on teaching a wide range of photography skills from beginner to advanced levels, and form the major feature of our club activities



HPG Photo Album



Photography Competitions



Photography competitions are a learning tool and an effective way of developing photography skills.

The HPG runs monthly digital photography competitions and biannual print competitions in the following categories;

Open colour, Open monochrome, Nature and monthly set subjects.

Members upload images to the HPG website

Uploaded images are assessed on-line by independent photography judges.

Judges write comments about the images and nominate members for *Accepted, Credit and Distinction* awards.

The HPG also competes in regional and national photography competitions.

HPG Membership Profile



Our current membership is 40

Some of our members are working in their careers, others are semi retired or retired.

The HPG is open to people of all ages

The unifying force is our members' interest and passion for photography in all its forms

Members have a wide range of cameras, lenses and photo equipment

It is not necessary to have expensive camera or lenses and new members should not rush out and buy a new camera to join our club.

Our members have a wide range of photography skills from beginner to advanced levels and new members will settle in quickly

HPG Communications



- **The HPG keeps members up to date with club activities using the following media:**
 - **Monthly HPG In-Focus Newsletter.**
 - **HPG website.**
 - **Emailing members.**
 - **An SMS service.**
 - **Verbal briefings at meetings by committee members.**

How to join the HPG



Come to any first or third Tuesday monthly meeting, see what we do and meet our members. No fees required.

If you are interested in joining our group, please request an Application Form from a member of the committee at one of our club meetings.

Hand completed application form to the Membership officer, or the President.

After formal approval of your membership by the committee, pay the annual membership fee of \$50.00 (pro-rata rates apply) to the HPG Treasurer, by cash, cheque or EFT to the HPG bank account.

You may continue to attend meetings as a non-member until formal approval by the committee.

Conclusion



I hope you have found this information helpful and perhaps an incentive to join a friendly photography group.

You are welcome to visit us on one of our Tuesday meetings which are listed on the front page of the website under the heading: 'Upcoming events'

**Harry Bryant
President.**

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